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NEW FORMAT FOR EDITORIAL PAGE

With this issue, The Times-Virginian dresses up its Editorial Page in a new format, and begins using a new type of editorial discussion. Like many another over-worked editor, we have resorted to bringing to our readers selected editorial comment from leading daily newspapers. We have now subscribed to an exclusive editorial service, and will use their material, supplemented by comment of our own. We hope our readers will like the "face lifting" of our Editorial Page.

MEANING OF PRINCE EDWARD SCHOOL ACTION

It seems to us that the action of Prince Edward County Supervisors in withholding most school funds for the next session, will tend to force the hand of Governor Stanley and others at the State level. It seems to us highly desirable that there be uniform policy in Virginia as to what to do about the rulings of the Supreme Court and how to operate the public schools. When a program is ready, it may be necessary to call the General Assembly into special session. Time is short before September, and teachers are entitled to know their status.

NATIONAL PARKS CROWDED

Director Conrad Wirth, of the National Parks, said recently so many Americans were using the parks that their use might have to become rationed in the near future. Wirth said the nation's parks handled almost twice as many visitors last year as they were designed to accomodate. Their annual capacity is estimated at 25,000,000.

This being the sason when Americans head for these parks, it strikes us as unfortunate that an overcrowding situation has forced talk of rationing. We dislike the very thought of any type of bureaucratic controls over our national parks, which belong to all citizens, and which should be open to all comers at all times.

We would favor a fee, or some other way of reducing the number of visitors rather than accepting the principle that use of our national parks must be strictly rationed.

Moreover, we believe Congress could find additional park acreage in certain spots where the overcrowding is most prevalent, even if it meant abandonment of acreage elsewhere, where overcrowding is not a problem. But what we do not want is controls over the free use of our national parks, controls administered by federal authorities.

As long as we can stay away from that, the parks will be what they were first intended to be, and they always have been, in the United States.

SUPPORT HOME MERCHANTS

In this issue of The Times-Virginian are to be found the advertisements of many Appomattox merchants. These merchants are, through the medium of our paper, asking for your support.

We all realize that thousands of dollars go out of Appomattox County every year which should and could be spent in our community. It behooves all thinking people to consider this matter and keep as much of our money at home as possible.

The idea that the slogan, "Trade at Home," is the despairing cry of a dying community is absurd, although there are some citizens who classify it thus. Town-boosting is an art practiced by those live, wide-awake communities, made so by citizens who believe in their town, and support their merchants.

The merchants of this county are not asking for, nor are they entitled to "charity." If they do not offer goods at equal prices, quality considered, they certainly do not expect your trade. If a local purchaser will take into consideration the service that backs up a sale made by a local business house, the immediate delivery effected, and the convenient terms often allowed, and the courteous consideration extended, it will be plain that "buying at home" has its advantages.

When you buy here, thereby creating a larger demand, local merchants will be able to increase their stocks, thus offering a larger variety which can compete with some of the stores in the larger cities. They cannot do this, however, until they have some assurance of general local support.

We call attention to the fact that a community, like an individual, cannot spend its money and keep it too, but a community made up of many people who spend their money at home, can spend that money time and time again, among its own people.

KRUSCHEV AND BULGANIN

Th recent visit of a high Soviet delegation to Belgrade demonstrates clearly the drastic changes which have taken place in the Soviet leadersip and policy. The spectacle of U.S.S.R. leaders almost pleading with Marshal Tito, in an effort to get him to return to the Comminform, is a strange one.

It is strange because the top leaders of the Soviet Union have not ventured outside their country on such a mission since the Communist Party took over power in Russia in 1917.

It is strange also because when Marshal Bulganin and Nikita S. Khrushchev, head of the Communist Party in Russia, came into power in Moscow, they initiated their reign with a blast of blunt talk and military emphasis which was in contrast to their recent attitudes in Belgrade.

The Soviet delegation's visit to Belgrade is the best proof the free world has seen yet that Russia's tatics are changing from those of the bully to those of persuasion and peaceful propaganda.

That the Russians, who constantly threatened Tito with invasion for years, would admit that they erred, and ask forgiveness from a nation as small as Yugoslavia, is surprising. It means, apparently, that the Russians recognize the policies they have been pursuing are not leading them to a strengthened international position.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

There is such a thing as overwork but not many people run the risk.

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Laziness explains more failures than ignorance, but the combination is catastrophic.

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If you agree with everything the editor writes, you have no more sense than the editor.

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The dry weather that ruins a farmer's crop will later cause dust to settle on the merchants' shelves.

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Talk to five people about your ailment and you will get five remedies but you will still have the ailment.

Health and beauty

If nothing in your wardrobe looks well on you, the trouble may not be with your clothes. Maybe it is your figure or posture that is to blame.

The first step is to check your weight for your height and age. If you are more than a couple of pounds off one way or the other, here is the place to begin.

You can lose weight without starving yourself. Go at weight - losing sensibly. Don't starve yourself, keep in mind that it takes time to lose weight. Keep foods like gravies, sweets, potato chips, salted peanuts, and soft drinks to a minimum.

For good health, and beauty, eat the following every day: A green and a yellow vegetable, two fruits (one citrus), a serving of meat, fish, poultry, or cheese (cheese not on a diet to lose), a pint of milk, a serving of whole-grain cereal or bread, some butter or margarine, six to eight glasses of water, and three to five eggs each week.

If you need to lose weight, take smaller servings, if you need to gain, drink extra milk and eat larger servings.

Check your body measurements. If they need streamlining (this can apply to fat and thin people alike) take exercises. Make sure your posture is what it should be. If necessary, practice correct posture until it becomes natural with you.

Offhand can you think of anything more impartial than a traffic light? —The Mason City, Iowa, Globe-Gazette.

There was a man who called a spade a spade until he stumbled over one. —W. O. W. Magazine.

GOLDEN GLEAMS

He ne'er is crown'd
With immortality, who fears to
follow
Where airy voices lead. Keats.

I swear I think there is nothing but immortality. Walt Whitman.

The stars shall fade away;
the sun himself
Grow dim with age, and
nature sink in years
But thou shalt flourish
in immortal youth,
Unhurt amidst the war of elements,
The wrecks of matter, and
the crush of worlds.
—Addison.

BIBLE VERSE TO STUDY

"But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been from old, from everlasting."

In the old days when a youth started sowing wild oats, his father started the thrashing machine. —The Council Bluffs, Iowa, Nonpareil.

The guy who drives fast past a schoolhouse is probably the same person who was so slow getting through it a few years back. —The Savannah Morning News.

Broad-mindedness has been described as high-mindedness that has been plattened by experience. — The Savannah Morning News.

Two can live as cheaply as one—if they both have good jobs. —The Prop Wash, Oak Harbor, Wash.

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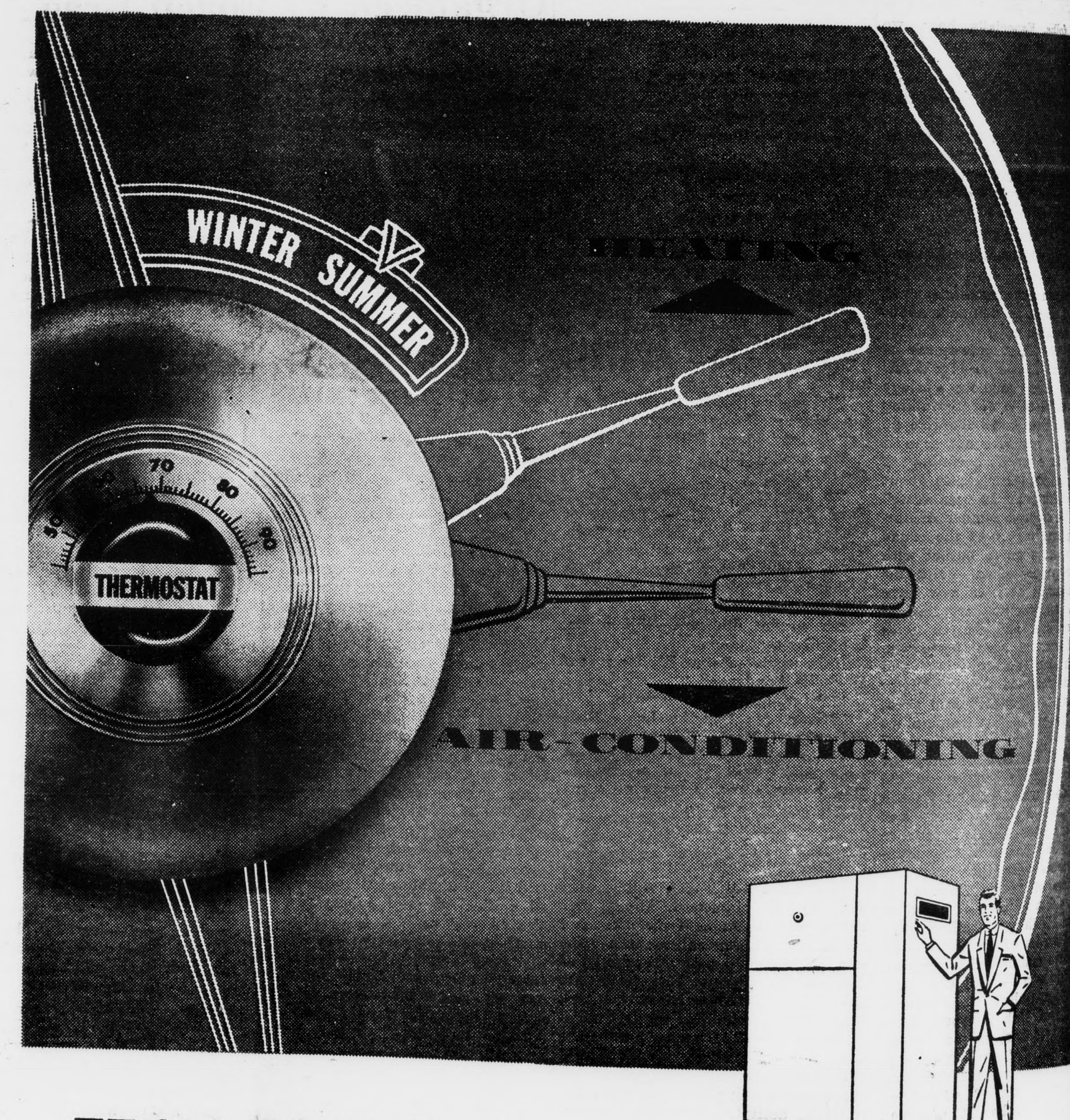

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Abbitt Speaks At Concord School Finals

Concord, June 3.- Representative Watkins M. Abbitt (D-Va.) declared here tonight that despite the overwhelming superiority" which America has gained for itself, "we must never come to the place where we forget the hand of God in our affairs."

Speaking at commencement exercises at Concord High School, the Fourth District congressman said he is concerned over the tendency to feel that we have accomplished everything for ourselves and forget ... that we have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of Heaven."

Abbitt admonished the graduates not to forget "the gracious hand which has preserved us; multiplied, enriched and strengthened us. Let us not vainly imagine, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue all our own. Let us not become intoxicated with unbroken success and feel that we have reached our goal of self-sufficiency and thereby need no further advancement in knowledge and training."

He cautioned that although Americans have opportunities "unequalled in history," these have not come without a corresponding responsibility as citizens. "We must realize there is no such thing as something for nothing," he said.

The congressman said he is convinced that the greatest fault in America is "conceit, over-estimating our importance, greed and avarice." This, however, he pointed out, is matched by "our unselfishness, desire to be of service and humbleness."

ROADSIDE MARKETS BOOSTED AS SOURCE OF FARM INCOME

A roadside market—if it is planned wisely — can add considerably to a farmer's income.

A good location is one of the most impotrant necessities, but the best location in the world won't help much if the goods displayed are not clean, fresh, and attractive. Here are some hints on successful operation of a roadside market for homegrown produce.

The market should be located beside a well-traveled highway, preferably near a city or town. A site on the right hand side into a city is better than on the other side.

The marker must be well-ordered, clean, and neatly constructed. There should be plenty of parking space.

Enough shelf space to allow full display of the produce is important, especially along the front of the building. A sink with running water for washing and freshening the vegetables is desirable.

The market operator ought to plant a wide variety of products, but many handle additional produce from neighbors, wholesales or truckers if business warrants. Fruits and vegetables are roadside specialties, but as suitable are eggs, dressed poultry, milk, butter, cheese, flowers, shrubs, juices, nuts, and meat.

Keep regular hours, and stay open at least through the early evening hours if possible. Have all, wherever possible, packages already made up in convenient sizes and market with the price.

Keep customers coming back by giving value. It is a poor practice to conceal inferior merchandise under attractive top layer.

Grass and shrubs, and shade trees will make the market site more attractive. Motorists rarely stop at an unattractive shack displaying wilted, fly-ridden produce.

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WASHINGTON NOTES

Selective Students

With rising college enrollments presenting the nation's colleges with a number of increasing problems, the Carnegie Corporation of New York has proposed that a screening process be applied to applicants in order to select those students "who can profit most from college."

Air Bases

Senator Walter F. George, chair man of the Senate Foreign Arairs Committee, recently declared that the United States should hold on to its air bases and military might in Europe for the time being, at least. Commenting on reports that the Soviet Union might press for disarmament and the neutralization of Germany, Senator George said the United States could not "give up anything at this time or rest on our oars in any way."

Anti-Trust Suits

The Justice Department has filed an anti-trust suit against six major publishing and advertising associations charging violations in the placing of national advertising in newspapers and magazines. The complaint charges a conspiracy in restraint of interstate commerce, alleging that the various associations had agreed upon uniform practices in connection of placing of national advertising in printed media. Several of the press units have denied violations.

Consumer Price Index

A drop of one-tenth of one per cent in the consumer price index was recently reported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.The drop, for the period from the middle of March to the middle of April, was the first change since last December. It put the index three-tenths of one per cent below the level of a year ago.

Armed Forces

Leaders in Congress appear inclined to insist that the natin's armed forces be kept at a high level. The threatened defeat of the Administration's military reserve program was fortifying this attitude.

"No Comment"

In answer to all questions concerning his plans for 1956, President Eisenhower has no comment. The President's aides are instructing White House visitors not to bring up the subject in the President's presence.

Tax Windfall

The Senate Finance Committee recently voted 2 to 0 to repeal two provisions of the Administration-backed 1954 tax law. It had been shown that the law gave buisness a windfall of a least one billion dollars.

New Sextant

The announcement of the development of a sextant which will operate automatically gave promise of a quick precision plotting of courses in jet flight and also of guiding long-range missiles.

German Labor Shift

In a major policy shift, German labor joined in a pledge with the free unions of 74 other countries at Vienna to build the military strength of the Western World against the Soviet Union.

Economic Ties

The United States foreign policy, including economic union with Western Europe, was recently urged by a group of political scientists who made a two-year study for the National Planning Association. The report said social changes and the Communist threat called for new approaches and bold measures to strengthen the economies of the free nations.

Mine Deaths

Accidents in coal mines have killed 111 men during the first three months of 1955, seven more than in the similar period of 1954. The fatality rate for the first quarter of this year was 1.05 for each million man-hours of exposure, compared with a rate of 0.99 for the 1954 period.

OPENINGS FOR BIOLOGISTS

According to I. T. Quinn, executive director of the Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries, he is authorized to fill two vacancies in the Fish Division. One vacancy was created by the promotion of Bob Martin from chief biologist of the division to assistant chief of the division. The other was caused by the extended military leave of Dixie Shumate, now in military service in Alaska. It is hoped that both positions will be filled effective July 1st of this year.

Old Age Begins At 70

oLs Angeles, Calif.- According to Dr. J. Harold Sheldton, physician of Birmingham, Engalnd, "the inexorable weakening prosesses of old age don't usually start until the age of 70."

Firemen on Job

Denver.- While battling a house blaze, firemen saw a red glow in one of the bedrooms and promptly doused it with water. The glow did not disappear and firemen discovered it was a bed lamp with a red shade.

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ABOUT YOUR HOME

By Frances Dell

Proper ventilation and lighting can do wonders for your kitchen safety and your morale. Install a fan ventilation system to remove grease, heat and cooking odors. It should be located as near as possible to the stove.

The fan should exhaust to the outside through the wall or roof. It must be equipped with a built-in shutter to prevent any back drafts or any bugs from entering the house when the fan is not in operation.

Good lighting is more important in the kitchen than possibly any other room in the home. Proper lighting can do away with fatigue and cut kitchen accidents to almost nothing.

Both natural and artificial light should give the kitchen good over-all illumination. Additional lights are needed at work areas.

Avoid glare in the kitchen from exposed bulbs and highly polished materials. If sunlight streams into your kitchen windows and into your eyes, it will cause you to become tired much sooner than you would otherwise. Use curtains, blinds or an exterior overhang at the window to prevent this glare.

When wiring the kitchen, provide enough circuits to accomodate all the equipment you will need and prevent the fire hazard of over-loading. In most cases, two circuits are neecssary. You will need separate circuits for major equipment, such as the range and freezer. A convenience is to have an outlet located above each counter.

If you are building a new home, the best advise in the world is not to cut too many corners in the kitchen. The kitchen is where the average housewife spends a good deal of her time. It should be an attractive room with as good equipment as she can afford.

Decide how much room you will need in the way of counter space, storage space, and space for major equipment. Keep in mind that a kitchen too small or a kitchen too big will cause you a lot of extra work.

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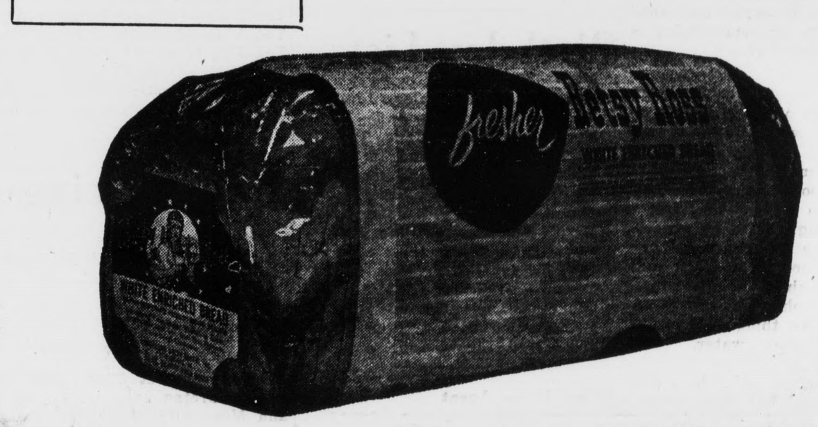

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